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Death of Joseph V. Whitesides.

It is, indeed, with a sad, sad heart that the editor of the COURIER is called upon to chronicle the death of his warm personal friend, Joseph V. Whitesides, who died of tetanus, commonly called lock-jaw, at his home, 2 1-2 miles southwest of Keytesville, last Wednesday morning between 11 and 12 o'clock, after an illness of about two weeks that was like a living death. His sufferings were intense, and had it not been for the best of nursing and medical attention he would have fallen a victim to the terrible disease several days before he did.

Willing, kind neighbors and life-long friends were constantly administering to his wants in the hope that the hand of the Grim Reaper might be stayed, but to no avail, and their untiring attentions and constant vigil are now but a loving remembrance in the hearts of near and dear ones who are left behind.

Joseph V. Whitesides was born and reared in Bowling Green township and died on his own farm in the same township only a few miles from the old home place, aged 41 years, one month and 21 days, the date of his birth being July 3rd, 1857.

He was married to Miss Lillie Hurt, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Moses Hurt of the Forks of Chariton, January 30th, 1883. Of this happy union the mother and eight children, two boys and six girls, survive, besides one brother, John F. Whitesides.

Joseph Whitesides was a man that everybody liked. He was companionable, open-hearted and generous. He was a model husband and father, for his highest delight was the "happiness of his home. As a neighbor he was always accommodating and considerate, and by his death an aching void is not only created in his own family, but in the entire community in which he lived, and his memory will ever be cherished in accordance with his true worth as a man. He united with the Baptist church in Keytesville in 1885, but held his membership at New Hope. He had followed the golden rule of doing unto others as he would have others do unto him, and death had no terrors for him when the last hour came.

Appropriate funeral services were conducted at the family residence yesterday afternoon at two o'clock by Rev. J. T. Gose, and were followed by the burial rites of the Odd Fellows' lodge at Keytesville of which the deceased was an honored member, having recently been elected Noble Grand. Interment took place in the City cemetery.

Besides a valuable farm, Mr. Whitesides leaves to his wife and children \$4,000 life insurance, \$3,000 of which was carried in the Modern Woodmen of America, he being a member of the M. W. A. camp at Keytesville, and \$1,000 in the New York Life Insurance company.

May He who has promised to be a father to the fatherless and a husband to the widow be the guide and comforter of the sorrowing children and grief-stricken mother in their dark hours of bereavement.

"It matters not at what hour of the day
The righteous fall asleep; death cannot come
To him untimely who is fit to die;
The less of this cold world, the more of
heaven—
The briefer life, the earlier immortality."

Wedding Bells.

PAYNE-BILLS:—B. S. Payne and Miss Lizzie Bills, both of near Mike, were married at the Brown house in Keytesville, Monday, August 22nd, Justice H. A. Wheeler doing the splicing.

WELSH-PRUNTY:—James Welsh of near Laclede, Linn county, and Miss Daisy Prunty of near Sumner, were married at the M. E. parsonage in Linneus, Thursday, August 18th, Rev. Mesner making the twin one.

Lost.

Between Keytesville and the residence of Mrs. Lizzie Jeter 2 1-2 miles southwest of this place, Tuesday, August 24th, a lady's black cloth jacket. The finder will be suitably rewarded by leaving it at Mrs. Jeter's.

The Criminal Calendar.

Clark Ward of Keytesville, who was to have been tried before Justice J. M. DeMoss last Friday for assaulting and "battering" W. T. Rice, failed to appear, and his bond was declared forfeited. Justice DeMoss, however, says the bond has either been misplaced or purloined.

Wm. Johnson, col., has been lodged in jail on a commitment issued by Justice George Binks of Chariton township to serve out a fine of \$50 and costs for drawing a pistol on and threatening to shoot Jordan Ferguson, col. George Hurt, col., was fined \$5 and costs for the part he took in assaulting Ferguson in the Johnson-Ferguson melee. Hurt paid his fine and costs and was released.

Wm. Strother, col., of Dalton was lodged in jail last Friday on a commitment issued by Justice C. W. Steiman of Bowling Green township. Strother is charged with assault and battery upon Thos. Agee, also a colored resident of Dalton. The defendant gave bond in the sum of \$100, Saturday, with E. P. Moore as security, for his appearance before Justice Steiman for trial next Monday.

Deputy Sheriff L. A. Embree returned from St. Louis last Friday afternoon with Wm. Sternitzky, formerly of Marceline, who was convicted on two counts at the last April term of circuit court and fined \$40 and costs on each count for selling liquor illegally at the Marceline fair. Sternitzky had previously paid the costs in the cases against him, but owing to his failure to also liquidate the two fines he was lodged in jail where he will tarry for the next three months.

On the part of the Baptist church in Keytesville two or three weeks ago, at from some reason failed to come, as since been ordained as a minister of that religious sect.

George Alsop of near New Franklin did the misfortune to lose his dwelling house and the greater portion of its contents by fire during the absence of the family, Saturday night of last week. It is not known how the fire originated. The house and household goods were insured for \$1,450.

Rev. J. Chas. Todd, col., and his nephew, Will Todd, and James Snodgrass, col., the two latter being boys, have been held to await the action of a grand jury in the U. S. district court at Jefferson City for robbing a post-office at Fayette of about \$24 money and some stamps several weeks ago.

Joe Sims while splitting wood on Spencer McCrary's farm near Fayette, Justice DeMoss for her appearance before the grand jury at the next October term of circuit court, but, of course, she could not give it and was sent to jail.

John McKean had his trial in Justice Lyman Andrews' court at Sumner last Thursday for assaulting Jack Lloyd by throwing stove wood at him. The jury at the first trial of the case failed to agree and was discharged. At the second trial the jury returned a verdict of guilty and assessed McKean's punishment at a fine of one cent. The costs, however, amounted to about \$35. McKean had managed to raise the amount of the fine, but had not paid the costs at last accounts, and unless he does so he will be given quarters at the county jail for 20 days.

While Deputy Sheriff L. A. Embree was returning from St. Louis last Friday afternoon with Wm. Sternitzky, whom he was bringing to Keytesville to serve out two fines of \$40, each, for illegally selling liquor at the Marceline fair, he discovered George Johnson, col., at Clark, Randolph county, with his head sticking around the corner of the depot and placed him under arrest.

Johnson is the negro who was fined \$10 and costs in Justice J. M. DeMoss' court in Keytesville several weeks ago for stealing an iron wedge, two axes, a bed quilt and a pair of pants from Dennis Butler, col., 2 1-2 miles southeast of this place. Johnson was given a stay of execution, promising to pay his fine and trimmings as soon as he could collect the money from a man he claimed owed him for work. George, however, failed to return. Deputy Sheriff Embree heard of him up about Prairie Hill last week and went after him, but when he got there George had flown, but he told some parties that he was going to Jefferson City, and was found at Clark the following Friday afternoon by Mr. Embree and brought to Keytesville and lodged in jail to serve out his fine and costs. While he was out on a stay of execution he broke into his father's (Aaron Johnson's) house near Glasgow and stole a trunk, valued at \$250; an overcoat, worth \$18, belonging to his father; an overcoat, valued at \$10; three vests, worth \$4.50, and two pairs of pants, valued at \$6, the property of Warner Johnson, col., and a night dress, worth \$1, belonging to Mary Johnson, col. Mr. Embree recovered all of the stolen goods after he arrested the thief at Clark. As soon as Johnson has served out his fine and costs, imposed in Justice J. M. DeMoss' court for stealing from Den. Butler, he will be taken to Howard county and tried on the charge of burglary and larceny, his own father having sworn out the warrant for his naughty son's arrest.

Criminal Costs.

Circuit Clerk H. B. Richardson received a draft from State Auditor Jas. M. Seibert last Tuesday covering the costs in the following criminal cases.

Those who have scrip in these cases can get their money by calling and presenting or sending their scrip to Mr. Richardson:

LIST OF CASES.	
Ar. W. Green, No. 2.....	\$136.65
Ar. W. Green, No. 3.....	249.35
Ar. Oliver Crigler.....	10.75
Ar. Virgil Williams.....	103.02
Total.....	\$499.97

There was also a bill of costs sent to Mr. Seibert by Circuit Clerk Richardson in the case of Lewis Leeper, col., of near Dalton, amounting to \$27.75, but this was not allowed as Leeper was acquitted of an offense punishable otherwise than solely by imprisonment in the penitentiary. The county will therefore have the Leeper bill of costs to pay.

Live Stock Notes.

Wm. McKenzie, late of Kentucky, who bought the Caswell Courtney farm three miles northeast of Keytesville of T. L. Furrow some time last spring, shipped in four car loads of cattle from Kansas City last Friday and will feed them for market.

Messrs. Courtney & Co. shipped seven car loads of cattle, six loads of which were purchased of John Dorrance of five miles northwest of this place, while the other was owned by A. S. Taylor, a member of the firm of Courtney & Co., and one load of hogs belonging to Wilcox & Quick to Chicago the first of this week. Messrs. A. S. Taylor, M. F. Courtney, A. F. Tooley and J. F. Hansman accompanied the stock to the World's Fair city.

Have You Exchanged Your School Books?

Next Wednesday, August 31st, is the last day on which school books can be exchanged. There are a very few in the Keytesville public schools who have not yet taken advantage of the exchange rate, and if they desire to do so it must be done before the above date.

Should there be pupils in any of the rooms who desire to know what books they will need the coming term, in order to make a proper exchange, I shall be glad to assist them in any way possible. Respectfully,

J. F. JONES, Principal.

Matrimonial Misfits.

Two more divorce suits have been filed in circuit court this week. The plaintiff in each suit is a henpecked husband, to-wit: George W. Powell, who lives on "the bar" eight or nine miles southwest of Keytesville, and Laville Sharp of Sumner. The former was married in Randolph county in 1877, but he and his wife, Mary E. Powell, have not lived happily together since about two years after their marriage and she has left him, so he says, at diverse times, but Mr. Powell's suit for divorce is directly due to the fact that his wife assaulted him with a stick of stove wood and struck him three violent blows on the head and face, cutting a deep gash over his eye, July 26th, 1898.

There were born of said marriage eight children, seven of whom are living, and the plaintiff is willing that they be divided between their parents as they (the children) may desire, provided he is permitted to visit them at proper times and places.

On the other hand, Mrs. Powell says that she has been brutally treated by her husband, and vows that she never has left him. She admits having assaulted him with a stick of stove wood, but says he was choking her at time, although she was in an advanced state of pregnancy. She will not contest her husband's proceedings for divorce, but has made up her mind to take her children and "do the best she can."

A. W. Johnson of Salisbury is plaintiff's attorney.

Linville Sharp was married to Mary E. Sharp in Linn county in December, 1876, and continued to live with her until the 1st of January, 1896, when she deserted plaintiff, and has ever since continued to live separate and apart from him, and he therefore seeks divorce on the grounds of cruel desertion.

No children are mentioned in Mr. Sharp's petition as having been born of said marriage.

U. A. House of Sumner is plaintiff's attorney.

School Moneys.

As announced in the COURIER two or three weeks ago, Chariton county's apportionment of state public school moneys for the year 1898 is \$8,842.09. Of this amount the schools in Keytesville township will get:

Keytesville Village School.....	\$1,270.00
Agee.....	172.81
Hart.....	186.08
Hills.....	259.19
Scribner.....	241.90
Bell.....	161.32
Swain.....	221.70
Cottrell.....	114.04
Walker.....	132.90
Lowery.....	80.00
O'Bryan.....	125.17
Allen.....	124.71
East Indian Grove.....	118.91
Total.....	\$3,239.40

Noties.

I have bought the stock of drugs at the old City drug store and will be pleased to wait on the public when in need of anything in the drug line.

H. O. FISHER.

T. C. Underwood, a prominent farmer of Carroll county, whose home was six miles east of Carrollton, was shot and killed last Sunday afternoon near his home. His son, David Underwood, was also shot, but not seriously injured. Eugene Paddy, a young farmer of the same neighborhood, did the shooting. The cause of the trouble is unknown. Paddy gave himself up to the sheriff.

Warren Taylor, an exemplary son of W. A. Taylor of 2 1-2 miles west of Keytesville who has been learning telegraphy and the routine work of a railroad station agent under H. O. Fisher at Dalton, passed a satisfactory examination at Moberly last week and was sent to Glasgow, Saturday, to relieve Wabash Agent W. N. Wicks during that gentleman's leave of absence. The COURIER congratulates Warren upon having acquired a knowledge of his chosen vocation, and hopes that he may soon be given a permanent position at a lucrative salary.

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Mrs. James Black of Garnett, Kas., concluded her visit to her daughter, Mrs. C. H. Paxton of Keytesville, last Monday, and went from here to Mendon to visit her brother, Rev. G. W. Norris, who drove down to Keytesville for her, and whom she had not seen for 32 years. Rev. Norris is the able and much-beloved pastor of the M. E. church at Mendon and Zion. It is needless to say that the meeting of Rev. Norris and his sister was a most joyous one.

John R. and Adkinson Price of three miles south of Keytesville are reported to be lost, strayed, or stolen. The last heard of them they were headed toward Richmond, Mo. Any information concerning their whereabouts will not be rewarded by anyone who knows them. Their brother, Charles W., is responsible for this item, and if they feel disposed to fight after reading it they must vent their spleen on Charles W. instead of the editor of the COURIER.

Owing to ill health our young friend, L. O. White, has sold out his grocery business at Beaumont, Tex., and returned to his home in Keytesville. Louis was much pleased with his Texas home and was doing a good business, but the climate did not agree with him and that is the reason he was compelled to sell out. His brother, Charlie, who was clerking for Louis, will remain in Beaumont for a time, at least. We are glad to have Louis with us again, and trust he will soon be restored to his usual good health.

John Henry, a substantial farmer and good citizen of near Westville, was a pleasant caller at the COURIER office yesterday afternoon. Mr. Henry has been a reader of this paper for 15 years, and finds it like old wine—it improves with age. He informed us that Revs. Routt and Sharon, divines of the Cumberland Presbyterian church, were conducting a protracted meeting at Westville with good success. The church will not hold the congregations at night, and there have been a number of conversions.

H. O. Fisher, for several years Wabash agent at Dalton, but who was recently transferred to Orrick, Ray county, in the same capacity, has concluded that the best thing he could do would be to embark in business on his own hook, and last Saturday closed the deal with John F. Robertson of Keytesville for the City drug store and took charge last Monday. Mr. Fisher is a brother-in-law of Judge of Probate H. C. Minter, and will make Keytesville an enterprising citizen. We welcome him and his estimable family to our little city. Mr. Robertson expects to leave for the West in a few days on account of poor health.

Mrs. Frank Gamble of two miles east of town presented her husband with twins, a boy and a girl, last Tuesday. The mother and little ones all say that Frank is behaving himself as well as the circumstances will admit, and is being kept busy on account of this double necessity for thoroughly posting himself on infantile colic remedies.

"Ye editor" made a few notes on his note-book this week that he has been unable to read. We are almost consumed with curiosity to know what they are, but have been entirely unable to decipher them, and have telegraphed for a Philadelphia lawyer to read them for us. It is said that a smart man writes a poor hand and if this be the case we have reasons to believe that we are getting to be a regular Solomon.

Circuit Clerk H. B. Richardson is in Fayette this week assisting his family to set up to housekeeping. Keytesville can ill afford to lose such nice people, yet notwithstanding the deprivation our little city suffers on account of their departure the COURIER's very best wishes follow them to their new home, and we hope they will return after Lillie and Miss Lela have completed their education at Central and Howard-Payne colleges, respectively.

The Democrats and Populists of Linn county put the following "fusion" ticket in nomination last Monday: Representative, J. H. Patterson; sheriff, Ed. Barton; recorder, R. W. Flood; county clerk, A. N. Maupin; prosecuting attorney, Thomas Burns; treasurer, Ed. Kelly; coroner, J. W. Craig; presiding judge, Henry Johnson; judge eastern district, A. J. Monson. On the offices of circuit clerk, probate judge and a county judge, fusion with the Populists was effected and the following "Pops" nominated: H. H. Lamb, circuit clerk; A. Nickell, probate judge, and Thos. Stevenson, judge of the western district. Resolutions endorsing the Chicago and state platforms and expansion of territory were adopted.

P. B. Parks, who has been assisting the Globe Mercantile Co., Keytesville's exclusive clothing and gents' furnishing goods establishment, during the illness of his brother, Charlie, with typhoid fever, has accepted a clerkship with Steiner Bros., proprietors of the Globe clothing house at Marceline, and will enter upon the duties of his new position next Monday. We commend Mr. Parks to the fullest confidence and esteem of the citizens of Marceline and vicinity. There are no better or more genial fellows than "Pete" Parks, as his friends familiarly call him, and he is a No. 1 salesman. We congratulate Steiner Bros. upon having secured his services.